Although a cash sum accompanies the award, the selection is not confined to those candidates whose activities lend themselves to financial contributions, as evidenced by the inclusion of two private business enterprises among the first decade's recipients. Further, although not so required by the Foundation, the successive juries have made it a tacit practice to avoid recognition of the established membership organizations operating primarily in the human relations field, such as the Baltimore Urban League, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the National Conference of Christians and Jews, although each of these organizations has been responsible for achievements of the kind celebrated by the award. On the other hand, both the Committee on Racial Equality and the Baltimore Fellowship, operating in the same field but less well established, have been recognized by juries.

After a decade of operation, the Trustees felt that removal of segregation barriers in Baltimore City itself had become all but commonplace and they looked ahead to what they believed to be the next frontiers. Beginning with the eleventh year, therefore, the juries have been asked to give special consideration to: one, removal of segregation barriers in Maryland outside of Baltimore City; and two, accomplishments which represent constructive inter-racial activity rather than removal of barriers only; that is, to recognize true integration rather than desegregation. These additional criteria have been observed in the awards covering activities in the years 1956, 1957 and 1958.

To assist the juries in making their selections, the Foundation annually circulates a questionnaire to several hundred informed citizens requesting suggestions for the jury to consider. To the trustees who have watched this annual influx of nominations and the accomplishments they represent, this compilation provides a living record of change in relations between the races and, in a larger sense, a reflection from this border community of changes which are taking place over the entire United States.

In 1964 the trustees of the Hollander Foundation announced that the 1963 award would be the final award of the Foundation. The awards have served a valuable purpose, and the fact that the original aims of the Foundation have been largely achieved is striking evidence of the rapid advance of race relations in the State in the 18 year period in which the awards have been made. That the things sought by the Foundation have ceased to be exceptional in Maryland is attributable in no small part to the Foundation itself and its awards; now therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the General Assembly on behalf of the citizenry of Maryland expresses its appreciation to the Sidney Hollander Foundation for its contributions towards equality of the races in the State of Maryland; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution is sent under the Great Seal of the State of Maryland to the Sidney Hollander Foundation, Inc., Baltimore 16, Maryland, and to the Baltimore Urban League, 2404 Pennsylvania Avenue, Baltimore 17, Maryland.

Approved March 11, 1965.